

REQUEST FORM FOR  
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.53(b)

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Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

This is a Request for filing a Divisional application under 37 CFR 1.53(b) of pending prior U.S. Patent Application No.10/117,118, filed on April 8, 2002, entitled **METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IDENTIFYING HIERARCHICAL DATA STRUCTURES**, by the following named Robert George Andrew MELVILLE; Peter Richard CRONSHAW; ; ;

1. ☒ I hereby state that the enclosed copy of this prior application is a true copy of the above-identified prior application.
2. Oath or Declaration
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
    - i. ☐ Deletion of inventor(s)  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
3. ☒ Incorporation By Reference (useable if Box 2b is checked)  
The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 2b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
4. ☐ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
5. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO1449 Form are submitted herewith.
6. ☒ Cancel claims 1-3 .

7a. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 4 and 6 above:

	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Total Claims	12	MINUS 20	0	x \$18 =	\$
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3	0	x \$84 =	\$
Basic Application Fee					\$750.00
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00					
Total Application Fee					\$
Subtract 1/2 if small entity					
<b>TOTAL APPLICATION FEE DUE</b>					<b>\$750.00</b>
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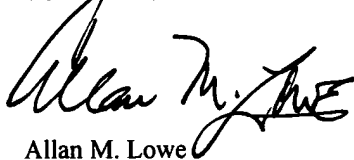
- 7b. ☐ Applicant is entitled to small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 37 CFR 1.27.
8. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any extension of time fees to maintain the pendency of the parent application Serial No. 10/117,118 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 07-1337.
9. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:  
--This application is a division of U.S. Patent Application No. 10/117,118 filed April 8, 2002.—
10. ☒ Priority of U.S. Application No. filed on in is claimed under 35 USC 119. The certified priority document(s) were filed in Serial No. 10/117,118 on April 8, 2002, and acknowledged in the USPTO on date PTO acknowledged.
11. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Agilent Technologies Inc
12. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to: Allan M. Lowe, Registration 19641
13. ☒ Also enclosed:
- 9 pages of drawings.
14. ☒ A petition and fee have been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until Aug. 21, 2003.

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